

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
HELD ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 9, 2016 AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE CITY
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

MAYOR: Tonita Gurulé-Girón

COUNCILORS: David A. Ulibarri Jr.
Vince Howell
Barbara A Casey
David L. Romero

ALSO PRESENT: Richard Trujillo, City Manager
Maire Lopez, Recorder
H. Chico Gallegos, City Attorney
Juan Montano, Sergeant at Arms

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Councilor Ulibarri Jr. lead everyone in attendance in the moment of silence and prayed that outcome of the election will lead everyone on a positive path.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Casey made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Councilor Romero seconded the motion.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for a roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following.

David A. Ulibarri Jr.	Yes	Barbara Casey	Yes
David L. Romero	Yes	Vince Howell	Yes

Recorder Lopez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Bob Wessely spoke to the Governing Body about an update on Bradner Reservoir rehabilitation and if any scheduled is being followed to preserve state funding. Mr. Wessely also asked for a status on the application for a low cost loan from NMFA for the purchase agreement with Storrie Project.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Resolution #16-41 Obsolete Excess Property.

Finance Director Gallegos advised the City of Las Vegas is requesting approval to sell or dispose of items and equipment that is beyond its useful life and fully depreciated. Finance Director Gallegos advised much if the items are scrap metal and old cars. Finance Director Gallegos advised the Police Department has done extensive research to see what titles the department does have for the vehicles.

Councilor Romero asked if the items will be bought separately or all together to eliminate them being bought separately and parked throughout the community.

Questions and discussion took place if the department was going to solicit bids or hold an auction and if the list of excess property that was provided to the Governing Body prior would be included.

Councilor Howell asked who is responsible for the items after they are purchased.

Finance Director Gallegos advised it is the responsibility of the purchaser to remove the items.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

2. Souder, Miller & Associates Task Order Amendment #2, Flood Damaged Utility Infrastructure Design and Utilities.

Utilities Director Gilvarry advised the Governing Body that Souder, Miller & Associates will provide engineering services for design and construction phases of the sites that sustained flood damage as a result of the September 2013 flood disaster. This task order will cover the additional design for the skating pond and sedimentation basin dredging, construction plans, bid documents, environmental permitting and engineering services. The amount of the task order is \$64,095.00 including New Mexico Gross Receipt Tax. Utilities Director Gilvarry advised that

FEMA would be providing funding for the portion of the work that they feel was directly affected by the flood.

City Manager Trujillo advised he met with County Manager Montoya and the Skating Pond area is also on their ICIP and they are willing to work jointly to restore and utilize that area.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

3. Resolution #16-43 authorizing submission of a grant application for funding assistance to the United States Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Project.

Utilities Director Gilvarry advised the City of Las Vegas is submitting an application for funding assistance to begin the identification, assessment and clean-up planning of the "Brownfields" that are part or adjacent to Gallinas River Park.

Ms. Garcia of the Utilities Department who has been working on the grant application gave the Governing Body an overview of the environmental studies that would be completed and how these steps will help the City in acquiring future funds.

Questions and discussion took place regarding the projects along the Riverwalk that involve various entities.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

4. Award request for proposals #2017-07 for diesel repair services for the waste water, gas, solid waste and water divisions to D.A.G Enterprises and enter into agreement.

Utilities Director Gilvarry advised the City of Las Vegas has diesel powered heavy equipment and vehicles that require regular maintenance due to extended use. This RFP will allow the City to hire a mechanic to provide diesel repair services for heavy equipment and vehicles as needed. Utilities Director Gilvarry advised that D.A.G Enterprise was the sole bidder at a price of \$75.00 per hour. Utilities Director Gilvarry advised D.A.G would only work on diesel vehicles and staff would work on gasoline vehicles.

Councilor Casey advised she was made aware that other businesses that handle diesel repair were not contacted about the bid and had requested letters of notification be sent.

Utilities Director advised she personally approached several mechanics to bid and was unsuccessful.

Questions and discussion took place if mechanics had been notified and if there was staff on hand to do the repairs.

Councilor Howell asked if the department ordered the parts or if D.A.G would be purchasing them and what the up charge for the part would be.

Mayor Gurule-Giron advised she was concerned about the pricing.

City Attorney Gallegos advised the procurement process was followed and pricing with comparable municipalities around the area.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

Councilor Howell advised he would like to see the weeds in the medians and along sidewalks to be cleared now that the holiday decorations are starting to be put up in the community. Councilor Howell asked for a status of the marketing committee.

Mayor Gurule-Giron advised that she is waiting for the individuals to sign their acceptance letter, and all committees should be established.

Councilor Romero asked for a status of the cleanup around the trailer park that he spoke to City Manager Trujillo about.

Utilities Director Gilvarry advised that she has been in contact with BNSF Railroad and they are refusing to allow the City onto the property to clean and advised her that the City would need to purchase a permit to have access to the property. Utilities Director Gilvarry advised BNSF that the procurement process to have that section of land cleaned up and the Utilities Department would like to try to enter into an agreement with BNSF to place trash containers in that area to minimize the trash in the area.

Councilor Romero advised that area is a fire hazard and how long will the City wait before cleaning it.

Mayor Gurule-Giron advised that there is a process and the department is working towards a resolution.

City Attorney Gallegos advised Utilities Director Gilvarry is working very close with the BNSF Railroad to come to an agreement on the property and getting it cleaned up before there is a liability.

Councilor Casey thanked the Las Vegas Police Department for their quick response finding the individual who broke into a vehicle that she read about on Facebook. Councilor Casey thanked all police officers for their hard work.

City Manager Trujillo advised there was a break in at the Arts Council and the Police Department was quick to respond.

Councilor Howell asked when the Governing Body would be holding their retreat.

Mayor Gurule-Giron advised they are working on hiring an independent contractor to facilitate the retreat.

Councilor Casey advised she would like to know who the facilitator would be and asked why the City needed to hire an individual from the outside.

Mayor Gurule-Giron advised the individual is highly qualified to facilitate the retreat.

Questions were asked about the status of Storrie Lake Project.

Councilor Ulibarri Jr. asked if staff could do some weed removal on the west side, it's been months since it was last done.

Councilor Casey made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Ulibarri Jr. seconded the motion.

Mayor Gurule-Giron asked for a roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following.

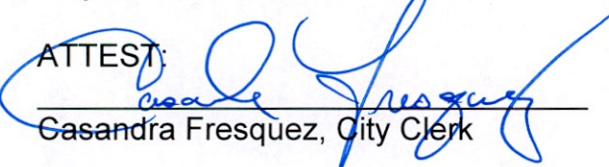
David A. Ulibarri Jr.	Yes	Barbara Casey	Yes
David L. Romero	Yes	Vince Howell	Yes

Recorder Lopez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

ADJOURN



Mayor Tonita Gurule-Giron

ATTEST: 

Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk